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PLANS TO IMPROVE

GALVESTON HARBOR.

Two Are Presented and Explained to the Citizens by Colonel

holes is

ONE IS CONSIDERED UNSAFE.

Second Meets the Approval of All Present and Will Be Recom-

mended to Congress—Prop. esition in Detail.

Roberts, division engineer of the United

called a meeting of citizens interested, to

The reference was held at the United

States Engineers office, and was attended

by most of the substantial business men of

Pacific and Chief Engineer Felt of the Gulf

present, and plied Colonel Roberts with

the interrogateries of numerous auditors. Colonel Roberts said he had formulated

two plans for widening and steepening Gal-veston harbor. He would explain one and

then the other. Taking up the first plan, he

asked his auditors to suppose that along

the present bay front of Gaiyeston Island a

channel 1,200 feet wide and from 25 to 30

feet doep was built, this channel extending from the beginning of the jetty channel at

Fort Point westwardly to a point midway

or silt from the sheal bay above; that the whole south shore of Pelican Island north of the channel was made available for wharf purposes, similar to Eric Basin in New York horbort—8 feet high or as high as Galveston Island, and both its northern and southern sides utilized for docks. How would that suit Galveston?

cold that sub Galveston? Tolonel Roberts asked for an expression

of his hearers as to the effect of the building of this dam or building of the west end. It would, he said, of course, close up the channel at one end and deflect all the water of the west bay and upper bay out through Bolivar Channel. The tide here is only one foot to eighteen inches, and would cause no deposit. If the 1,309-foot channel was executed to a death of thirty this

was excurated to a depth of thirty, thirty-five or ferty feet, there would be nothing to fill it up except the surface drainage and sewerage of the city. Consequently there would be very little dredging necessary to maintain this channel.

First Plan Endangers Health.

The Colonel said he had discussed this plan with Engineers Riche and Hartrick, and they had agreed with him that the cost of keeping this channel deep would be small. All the said and silt that comes into the present channel is carried down by the current from the shoal places up the bay. Storms from the north come swe-ping down and stir up the bay bottom in the shoal blaces and the current carries

sweeping down and stir up the day bottom in the shoal places and the current carries it down and deposits it in the present channel. Builtheading would prevent this. There would be no special current except the sib and flow of the tide; hence no flow, and the present channel would practically be a basin.

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e health of the city, as it had in Havana d other cities, and breed disease, Colone-berts replied that was the great objec-m to the plan. It was defective from a

on to the plan. It was defective from a unitary standpoint, and he wanted this to fully understood. There were various

other objections urged against the proposed plan. Colonel Roberts stated that there was nothing immediate in what he proposed or suggested. He was simply setting forth his ideas with a view of meeting various questions later on when they arrived the results of the proposed of the propo

red. He wanted the people to agree on general policy and not interfere with emselves, but to work intelligently and tranoniously when they make the effort r harbor improvements,

Colonel Roberts then evoked his other plan. This, instead of closing up the pres-ent channel, contemplates the construction

f a dike from the main land from a point

of a dike from the main land from a point midway between Swan Lake and Texas city across the west bay channel along the north line of Pelican Island to a point on the west side of Bodyar Channel north of Fort Point. This dike would be from eight to ten feet higher than high water and would deflect the current that how flows

I in case of storms from the north or thwest would curry the waters through a straight shoot and increase the scour, would be also a great protection to

Galveston in severe northers and make th whole of Pelican Island available for dock

purposes, while the dike would afford the railways centering here the facilities to use Pelican Island for freight terminals. The dike would effectually prevent the deposit of sall or sand from the upper bay. At the same time, the amount of water in the basin south of the dike and favore in our of the distance.

outh of the dike and flowing in out of the

south of the dike and flowing in out of the channel, would keep it clean and overcome the sanitary objection to the first plan. Colonel Roberts also recommended that the harbor lines south of the channel be extended to the lay bridges and contracting the flow of water into West Bay—now two and one-half miles wide—into a channel or canal 250 feet wide. This, he held, would tend to increase the depth of water in Colonystan harbor and very materially.

would tend to increase the depth of water in Galveston harbor and very materially reduce the cost of bridging across West Bay. To define clearly his plan of improvement, he took a pencil and drew on the chart the harbor lines of the inner bay, provided his plan was adopted. The Pelican harbor lines and the proposed dike made the outlines and the proposed dike made the outlines of a handbell. The Pelican harbor line formed the body of the bell and the dike over to the mainland was the handle. He then drew the new harbor lines Galveston city would have. The western lines for the island—that is, at the bay bridge end—would be carried out nearly one mile, or to the present channel there, and the harbor lines at Virginia Point would be nearly a mile nearer to Galveston.

nearly a mile hearer to Galveston.
Colonel Reberts explained that it was ridiculous to have railway bridges over two miles in length. There was no necessity for having more than a narrow channel to West Bay, and Galveston be made almost

nearly a mile nearer to Galveston.

channel would not be intinical to

get their views on these plans,

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MR. SPRAGUE SAYS

The Delicatessen Lunch Room served strawless of floods, bich pri-

Why the Chinese Dislike Foreigners. dislike anything foreign is I suppose, cause among the Eastern hallons they always felt their own sapertority, and they have an idea now that anything not Chinese must necessarily be inferior and wrong. This is a trait not peculiar to the Chinese, for it is not undeveloped in John Eall. The very anti-foreign feeding, which is encouraged mostly by the literati of China, is probably due more to the fact that John probably due more to the fact that John Chinaman cannot understand John Rull, as the points of view of both parties ure absolutely opposite to each other. A Chinaman will not take the trouble to explain his complicated code of manners to the "foreign devil," and if the unformate "devil," does not grasp the shuation (which is quite strange to him by instinct, as well as the Chinaman does who has been placed in similar positions since he could tallo, the latter thinks it is only another sign of the inferiority of any and every race to that of the Celestial Empire. A coolie will address you in Chinese, and if coolie will address you in Chinese, and if you don't understand by metaphorically you don't understand be metaphorically shrugs his shoulders and remarks in a compassionate tone to his neighbor. "Look at the inferiority of these yellow-haired sons of Satan. They do not even understand as much as I, a common coolie." No matter whether you are versed in every language under the sun, you don't know as much as he does of Chinese manners, customs or language; therefore, of course, you are his inferior. Our manners and customs are in so many respects so totally different, not only to theirs, but to their idea of propriety and common deceasy, that they entirely misconstruction and put them down as evil. Take, for instance, their manner of misconstrue them and put them down as evil. Take for instance, their manner of dress. To their idea, in order to dress in decency the clothes must be so arranged as to hile all contours of the figure. To them the idea of wearing an ordinary cont such as our men wear, which shows the figure, and above all the accutuating of the chest by a white shirt, is bordering on impropriety.—Mrs. Emil Dorn in Leslie's Weekly.

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COOKE Saturday, April 25, 1899, at 7 a, m., Intry May Cooke, beloved datastics of Justice E, and Neille Cooke (new Cutroff), after a short ill-iess, ared 2 years and 5 days. Funeral on Sunday, April D, at 2:30 p. m., from family residence, No. 301 o'Fallon street, to Calvary Cematery. Friends are invited to

KESSLER On Thursday, April 18, 1900, at Las-Versa, N. M., Amelia Ressler thee Stitemer, beloved wife of William C. Ressler and our stear mother, after a lingering diness. The funeral will take place on Sunday, Arril 20 1900, at 3 o'clock n. m., from No. 145 O'Fal-lor street to St. Peter's Cemeters. Friends are invited to attend.

RECTOR-Entered into rest Friday, April 27, 1900, al 2 p. m., Henry C. Rector, agod 62 years and 2 months. and 8 months.

Funeral Sunday, April 29, at 2 n. m., from private residence, No. 225 Adams street, Friends invited to attend, San Francisco, Cal.; Harrford, Cunn., and Washington, D. C., papers please copy.

SNYDER On Wednesday, April 25, 1999, at 11:35 p. m., Frank Edward, beloved hisband of Bertia Snyder, axed 25 years.

Funeral will take place on Sunday, April 29, m. from family residence, No. 282 Keekkuk street, to New St. Marcus's Cornstery. kuk street, to New 11. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

SHOEMAKER On Friday, April 37, 180, at 5 p. m., James M. Shoemaker, in his secenty-third year. He leaves a wife and seven children. Funeral Sunday, April 29, at 2 p. m., from residence, No. 3428 California avenue, Interment

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existing circumstances will be

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reflet, and then extend and improve for harbor as her needs require."

Colonel Roberts and Captain Riche have agreed upon a plan for the Buffalo Dayon ship channel. The plan formulated is for the construction of a bulkhead on the east side of the proposed channel in Galveston Bay to hold the dumpines from the chan-nel, which will be distributed on this side of the work by a steam drader. The pro-

POPE LEO XIII.

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ning Monday.

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Lee XIII, but the exhibition surpasses and conjecture. The views are of absorbing interest, for they show, with great elearness, the Holy Father as he walks, administers the papal blessing or passes by in the open sedan chair.

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the audience and administers the papal blessing. Every movement and gesture is duplicated with lifelike exactness.

Another pleture, which was taken the day after a report, one of the many sent out by unauthorized sources, said the Pope was dying, shows him walking briskly and un-alded, with his nephew, in the garden of the Valuer.

he Vatican. Incidental to the views in which Pope Lee

appears, were several showing the Armenian Bishops and Monks in procession, the picturesque Capuchin Monks, the masked Monks of the order of The Miserceordia, carrying a body in a covered litter for burial, and the street procession in celebration of the feast of Corpus Christi in Italy.

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sort usually has brains of another sort. I remember that Hetty Green once said to me. You can't put a smart person line a sin cun.' I thought of that the other night when I went to a Browning study class at Jenkin Lloyd Jones's church. If there is anything I usually steer clear of it is a Browning club, but a friend dragged me off to this. 'Well,' I said as we came away. If Jenkin Lloyd Jones wasn't a pretty good preacher he would make a fredge a channel Law feet and twenty-six prefly good premer he would make a feet deep from Pifty-fixel street, the west line of the Southern Pacific Improvement, to Tenth street, thence had feet wide to a connection with Bollivar channel, will residue a dramatic poem is like going to a first-class play. He imitates first one charquire an excavation of 15.825.738 cable yards.

Fort. Point westwardly to a point midway between the city limits and the bay bridges, and no further.

Suppose that at the western extremity of this channel a bulkhead was constructed, so that the channel or basin would be completely protected from receiving any sand or slit from the shoal bay above; that the whole south shore of Pelican Island north of the channel was made available for wharf purposes, similar to Erie Basin in New York basher of Set bids or as bid.

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The substitute of the city wine at the city wine at the country of the less tyolinists I ever heard. He was a physician here in the city wine at the country of the less to the feet wile for vessels drawing twenty four feet, and less for vessels drawing more than twenty-four feet. During the season vessels have frequently grounded when swinging from the whorfs hus the sceaming consequence of the narrowness of the channel. The most notable instance was the grounding of the Mallory line steamer Lampasus, on the north side of the channel at the foot of Fifteenth street, a few weeks ago. She hang for a week is fore channel is getting narrower every year, and this is the reason for the deep concern of the citizens in setting the General Gavernment to take speedy and decisive measure to remove this most threatening danger to their maritime commerce.

Gentlemen who have been very active for promoting the interests of this clay, after listening very attentively to Colonel Roberts is planning a harbor for the Twonty-fifth century. What Galveston needs is immediate following a number of questions turned away and remarked: "Colonel Roberts is planning a harbor for the Twonty-fifth century. What Galveston needs is immediate for the transport of the channel of the colonel Roberts and Captain Riche have lights to and ridge part of the colonel Roberts and Captain Riche have

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the wind, clinging by slight joints to the
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and maintaining tough health on this diet
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gesture expressing steadfast, dogged endurance. * Some are undoubtedly more lay to hold the dumpings from the channel, which will be distributed on this side of the work by a steam dredge. The proposed plan is to drive plas about two feet apart and make the free distribution of brush to hold the dirt, which will be packed to a level with the surface of the water, behind the bulkheed, and form a gradual slope toward the east. This bulkheading, just ahead of the dredging, at \$75.90, from Calveston channel to Morgan's Cut. The bulkheading is to prevent the filling of the channel by the action of washing back the dirt after being excavated from the channel. An ensterly wind has a tendency to wash the sand and dirt and would cause sheating of the channel.

The bulkheading is not to be permanent, but is intended to facilitate the construction of the channel and preserve the work mail the completion of the twenty-five foot depth from Galveston Bay to Houston. In time the pilling will ret away, leaving the hard packed banks along the channel. Proluminary work on the first station is well advanced, and in a short time the actual work of constructing the channel will commence. ance. Some are undoubtedly more than 2000 years old; for, though on goed meralic soil they graw about as fast as oaks, on bare payements and smoothly glackited, overswept granife ridges in the dome region they grow extremely slowly. One on the Starr King ridge only 2 feet II inches in diameter was 1.140 years old. Another on the same ridge, only 1 foot 72 inches in diameter, had reached the age of SH years. The first fifteen helps from he bark of a medium-sized tree-6 feet in diameter—on the north Temaya pavement had so layers of wood, or fifty-sayen to the inch. Beyond this the count was stopped by dry rot and overgrown wounds. The

onch. Econol this the count was stopped by dry rot and overgrown wounds. The largest I examined was 33 feet in girth, or nearly 19 in diameter, and, though I failed to get anything like a complete count. I learned enough from this and many other specimens to convince me that most of the trees 8 to 19 feet thick standing on polished glacier pavements are more than twenty centuries of age, rather than less. Barrin, accidents, for all I can see, they would live forever. When killed, they waste out of existence about as slowly as granite. Even forever. When killed, they waste out of ex-istence about as slowly as grarite. Even when overthrown by avalanches, after standing so long, they refuse to lie at rest, leaning stubbornly on their big elbows, as if anxious to rise, and while a single root holds to the rock putting forth fresh leaves with a grim, never-say-dis and never-lie-down expression.

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